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THE UNLEY ROTARIAN

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Meeting 3538 - Tuesday 21st November 2006

The Club meets every Tuesday at the Public Schools Club 207 East Terrace, Adelaide at 6.30pm. Fellowship at 6.00pm

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Our Last Meeting

Meeting No.	3538		
Date	21 st November 2006		
Venue	Public Schools Club		
Chairperson	Stephen Westgarth		
Guest Speaker	James Morris: "Unley Road Looking to the Future"		
Guests & Visiting Rotarians	James Morris, Luz Almeda, Melinda Maruhon, Aida Garcia, Cynthia Caird, Marilyn Wiley, David Lyons		
Apologies	Norm Wallace, Anne Wehr, Glenys Ferguson, Ron Schubert, Reno Elms, Greg Love, John Peacham, Vincent Michelin, Joan Reed, Michael Keenan		
Make Ups	Chandra Sluggett		
Attendance	58%		
Sick List	Ron Schubert		
Returning Rotarians	Natalie Bowen, John Peacham		
Departing Rotarians	Kaylene Kranz, Greg Love		

Announcements from President Stephen

- 1. On Friday 3rd November a number of our Rotarians and their partners attended the City Of Unley Centenary Achievement Awards and Book Launch at the Civic Centre. I am delighted to tell you that Geoff Hill was the Board's nominee from this club to receive a Centenary Achievement Award, particularly for his many years of dedicated service in the Thrift Shop, and Geoff was presented with his award by Unley Mayor Michael Keenan.
 - A book recording 100 years of the City of Unley was also launched at the event. You may be interested to know that one of the co-authors of the book was Margaret Paternoster, mother of Unley Rotarian Robert Paternoster and widow of late Unley Rotarian Maurie Paternoster.
- 2. On Tuesday 7th November we held a Rotary Information Night at the Unley Civic Centre, in association with the Eastwood and Glen Osmond clubs. We had a good turnout of members of the public interested in learning about Rotary, and all three clubs involved now have people who are interested in finding out even more.
 - I would like to congratulate Kaylene Kranz and the Membership Committee for their hard work in making the Information Night a success. It certainly looks as if Rotary will benefit from gaining more members through multiple local clubs representing different meeting night options combining to present Information Nights.
- 3. A small group of intrepid Rotarians and partners ventured out to Osborne on Wednesday 8th November for a vocational visit to ASC Pty Ltd, which was formerly the Australian Submarine Corporation. We were each equipped with a hard hat, told in no uncertain terms what kind of behavior and cameras would land us in deep trouble, and then treated to a video show and a comprehensive tour of the submarine dry-docking and maintenance facilities. It was a very interesting and informative vocational visit, which was followed by an enjoyable banquet at the Saigon Restaurant in Croydon Park. On behalf of those of us who went on the ASC tour, I'd like to thank Bob Laws and his Vocational & Youth Committee for organising the event.
- 4. Last Tuesday night we had a Multi-cultural Night at the Hungarian Club organised as a fundraiser by The Rotary Foundation Committee. It was great to see the Norwood club change their meeting so they could join us. The guest speakers for the night were Mr. Hieu Van Le, Chairman of the South Australian Multicultural and Ethnic Affairs Commission, who spoke on Australia's cultural diversity and Rotary's role in our multicultural society, and PDG Euan Miller, who spoke on the work of The Rotary Foundation. We had dancers from the Estonian Club and the Philippines Cultural Ambassadors dancers perform for us, as did Louis who sang and played his guitar for us. David Middleton conducted a successful auction of donated goods, and Chandra Sluggett managed to give away a bunch more prizes in the raffle. I understand that nearly \$3,000 was raised for The Rotary Foundation from the evening, and I would like to congratulate Mavis Martin and her committee for a very successful event.
- 5. Some Rotarians will remember meeting Morrie Thomson from Teen Challenge either when he came to speak to the club or when our members went into the Teen Challenge Hindley Street facility to prepare and serve breakfast to Adelaide's homeless and poor people. Sadly I have to report that Morrie past away early last week after a long battle with cancer; his funeral was last Friday. When this club lent a hand to Teen Challenge and provided new tables, chairs, curtains and a stove for their centre in Hindley Street, we were welcomed and encouraged by Morrie who will be long remembered as a champion of those in need through homelessness, poverty and substance abuse.
- 6. At the meeting of the Group 6 presidents on Thursday 9th November it was decided that the Group 6 clubs would combine for a matching grant project to help an orphanage project in Mexico. As more details of this project come to hand I will provide them to the International and The Rotary foundation committee chairmen.
- 7. Finally, last Sunday I along with a number of other Rotarians went to Kaylene and Greg's home for the inaugural Emerging Artist's Exhibition of works by Dean Slade. The event was opened by Ric Maurovic who gave an excellent speech which I believe will be reprinted in the Bulletin. Dean sold at least five of the works on display and he and his family were delighted with the event. I would like to congratulate Greg Love and the Fundraising & Fellowship Committee for a successful first time event, and I trust that this will not be the last. I would also like to thank Kaylene and Greg for opening their home to provide a friendly and comfortable setting for the art show.

- 8. New Rotary Membership cards have been received and from tonight will be distributed to members attending club meetings.
- 9. Margaret Payne has sent us a note thanking the club for the birthday card and greetings she received. She appreciated being remembered.
- 10. To correct an error in the Bulletin, the club's Christmas Dinner will be held on Wednesday 13th December, at 6.30pm for 7.00pm at the Kooyonga Golf Club.
- 11. Registration forms for next year's District Conference have been received and are available for members wishing to register to attend. However, it appears that there is no hotel, motel, bed and breakfast or caravan park accommodation available at this stage. Further enquiries will be made to see what accommodation options there may be that would enable Unley Rotarians to attend the conference.

Emerging Artist's Programme (Ric Maurovic's speech from the opening, Sunday 19th November, is reproduced below)

Dean Slade, for the first time, is exposing a part of himself to public scrutiny. This raw recruit has laid himself open for us to judge him and his work as a visual artist, but Dean Slade need not worry too much.

Dean has chosen, for this, his first exhibition, to showcase several subjects that he is most attracted to. He has a keen interest in the ideal of the human form and he has worked hard to best capture this genre that goes back to the origins of art itself. He is also attracted to the romantic notion of capturing atmosphere, which can be seen in his representations of sunsets. These works really delve into a period of art frequently seen in works from the early 1800s.

Dean is well qualified in his field of endeavour. He studied visual art at the Roma Mitchell Arts Centre and has worked in a number of visual design and graphic design houses. This has been a good grounding and an opportunity to consolidate his skills before taking the next step to making art for himself. Dean is to be commended for taking this huge risk, to forgo a steady and reliable income to make art and survive as a visual artist.

This is where the forum of an exhibition becomes an important aspect to an artist's career. It is an opportunity for the world to see what this person is thinking and what he is doing.

A key feature of Dean's Slade's first exhibition is its affordability. There is no greater way to show your appreciation than to buy a piece of art that you will be happy to live with and that will allow an artist to live happily.

It is through the generosity of the Rotary Club of Unley and local supporters that this exhibition, the first in the Club's Emerging Artist Program, has been made possible.

I am pleased to be associated with Dean Slade's first exhibition. Please approach Dean and ask him about his work and his vision. More importantly, please approach Dean to tell him you have bought something. It is with pleasure that I declare this first Unley Rotary Emerging Artist Program exhibition officially open.

Richard Maurovic.

Spots

The Community Services Committee, with a brief rendition of "We Wish You a Merry Christmas" ran through the programme for the "Carols at the Rotunda on Sunday 17th December. New this year are:

- A longer programme, starting at 5pm.
- Advertising support through the Unley Road Association who will distribute 25,000 flyers with "What's On Unley".
- A Schools Colouring Competition with 2,800 potential entrants.
- Alex Butler, ex Funkees, will be the Master of Ceremonies.
- Wider choice of food outlets, including the wraps and ladyfinger biscuits, yoghurt, donuts, tea & coffee, fruit juice and soft drinks.
- The Unley Council Christmas singers.
- A Bouncy Castle, roving entertainment, magician, balloon modelling and a face painting station.
- Two guest singers.

We will of course have the usual performance from the Funkees and the main session performed by the Australian Army Band Adelaide and the Australian Girl's Choir.

Geoff Howland introduced Luz Almeda who is the wife of the District Governor for D3860 Mindanao district involved in the schools programme. The district comprises 110 Rotary clubs. Luz talked about her role in the Philippines education system and thanked the Rotary Club of Unley for its involvement in the programme.

Sergeant's Session

The sergeant for the night, with the mostest, fresh from her US trip ran one of the shortest sessions but managed to extract at least a dollar from all present, by fining everyone who is over 40, cheap shot. Welcome back **Natalie Bowen.**

Jerry Casburn won the wine raffle and Kevin Rogers won the lucky square.

Diary Dates

Sun 19 Nov: Emerging Artists exhibition of works of Dean Slade at Kaylene and Greg's house.

Sat 25 Nov: Freedom of the City ceremony for the 10th/27th Battalion Royal South Australia Regiment. The event commences at

3pm and will include a march past, a salute with remembrance at the Soldiers Memorial Gardens, followed by a

reception at the Unley Civic Centre.

Wed 13 Dec: Christmas Dinner - Speaker - Indigenous Medical Student, 6.30pm for 7.00pm, Kooyonga Golf Club.

Sun 17 Dec: Carols at the Rotunda Unley Road from 5.00pm

Wed 20 Dec: Joint Christmas Breakfast Meeting with Hyde Park and Eastwood Rotary Clubs, at the Public Schools Club

Guest Speakers

Our speaker this week was James Morris who Chairs the Unley Road Association a representative group of traders and property owners along Unley Road. Their role is to promote Unley Road with the Unley Council operating through a group called the Unley Street Life Trust. James has more than 25 years association with Unley Road and its environs. Unley Road started its life as a dirt track connecting Adelaide and the village of Mitcham. Over time the area alongside the road was settled and Unley was incorporated in 1871. By 1905 huge development had taken place and it reached close to its current form with dwelling going back on either side of the road. Now the road embraces 450 businesses with \$500 million in assets, employing more than 3000 people and with a turnover of \$100s of millions.

The road has four major nodes, the restaurant node to the north, the commercial and fashion nodes in the centre and the seven-day service node at the southern end. There has been no major development in the area since and 1970s. James went on to provide Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats analysis for the road. James largely lamented the poor parking facilities, the lack of involvement from local traders, the lack of pedestrian movement and finally the lack of evening life limiting the life in the road. James saw its opportunities as a viable shopping centre serving the affluent communities surrounding it. James also saw future needs for a cinema allowing growth to the late evening life and a need to extend the shopping areas more deeply on either side of the road..

Quote of the Week

"Only two things are infinite, the universe and human stupidity, and I am not sure about the former" - Albert Einstein

Our Next Meetings

Date	Venue	Time	Occasion
28/11/06	Public Schools Club	6.00pm for 6.30pm	PDG Robert Brookes RC of Barossa Valley "Personal Experiences as a Rotary Foundation Volunteer with the Polio Plus Programme"
05/12/06	Public Schools Club	6.00pm for 6.30pm	Committees, Rotary Information and the AGM
Wed 13/12/06	Kooyonga Golf Club	6.30pm for 7.00pm	Christmas Dinner – Speaker – Indigenous Medical Student
Wed 20/12/06	Public Schools Club	7.15am for 7.30am	Joint Christmas Breakfast Meeting with Hyde Park and Eastwood Rotary Clubs

Rostered Rotarians

Date	Chairperson	Venue Set-up	Sergeant	Plaque Board	Attendance Desk
28/11/06	Ron Schubert	Greg McLeod	John Russell	David Payne	Greg Love & Glenys Ferguson
05/12/06	Glenys Ferguson	Mavis Martin	Natalie Bowen	John Peacham	Kaylene Kranz & Darroll Foote
12/12/06	Mark Zada	Greg Love	Darrol Foote	Joan Reed	Janet Singh & Anne Zada
20/12/06	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

To Rotarians who are unable to attend as rostered, please arrange a swap or contact:

Sergeant-At-Arms: John Russell on (h) 8271 7178 or e-mail: barbjohn@chariot.net.au

Venue Set-up or Plaque Board: Greg McLeod (w) 8223 3999, (m) 0417 811 838 or e-mail: gmcleod@lam.com.au

Attendance Desk: Janet Singh (w) 8226 4131, (m) 0421 052 893 or e-mail: singh.janet@saugov.sa.gov.au

Members are urged to diarise when they are required to serve and then they will be unlikely to overlook their rostered service duty.

For those members rostered on Venue Set-up and Plaque Board, the relevant paraphernalia can be found in the cupboard behind the Ladies toilets at East Terrace. John Russell and Greg McLeod have keys to the cupboard. Venue Set-up materials can be found in a large plastic box and immediately in the vicinity of that box (eg. the flag and the Rotary wheel). The box is marked with the Club's name. President Stephen currently has care and custody of the amplifier and microphone. Please remember to gather up all items at the end of the meeting and return them to the cupboard.

Apologies

To: Sheila Evans OR Janet Singh (m) 0432 047 711 (w) 8226 4131

Saturday Thrift Shop Duty

Date	9:00am to 11:30am	11:30am to Close
25/11/06	Stefan Borak, Kevin Rogers & John Russell	Ken Haines & Stefan Borak
02/12/06	Kevin Rogers, Lindsay & Linda England	Stephen Westgarth & Mavis Martin
09/12/06	Kevin Rogers, Greg McLeod & Kaylene Kranz (after 10.30)	Mavis Martin & Jerry Casburn
16/12/06	Kevin Rogers, Lauren Sellers & Stephen Westgarth	Ken Haines + ONE needed
23/12/06	Kevin Rogers, Stefan Borak & Chandra Sluggett	Stefan Borak & Kaylene Kranz
30/12/06	CLOSED	CLOSED

Club Website

Members are again reminded that a wealth of local, national and international Rotary information is available to them by visiting the club's website at http://unley.rotaryclub.org.au. A list of members and roster details can also be found. Please contact Stephen Westgarth with any comments about the website or if difficulty is experienced in accessing it. Updates to information on the website will be made progressively by Webmaster Stephen as time permits. Those members preparing and maintaining rosters are requested to provide soft copy information to Stephen for posting on the website for the benefit and information of all members.

Remember our Rotary theme for the year

